

CLAIMS

The following listing of claims lists all of the pending claims, and supersedes all prior listings, and versions, of claims in this application.

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

Claims 1 - 27. (Canceled)

28. (Currently amended) ~~An elevator with a cable-driven car, to which vertical guide rails are attached, comprising a plurality of cables that are arranged on two sides of the car, each cable in one of a plurality of first housings~~
comprising:

a plurality of vertical carriers arranged about a car, each carrier including first and second opposing recesses;

a guide rail having a plurality of vertical surfaces disposed within the first recess;

a truck attached to the car having a plurality of rollers surrounding the plurality of vertical surfaces of the guide rail;

a counterweight disposed within the second recess; and

at least one cable connecting the truck and the counterweight, wherein the cables of the plurality of vertical carriers are acted upon by a common driving wheel.

29. (Cancelled)

30. (Cancelled)

31. (Currently amended) The elevator according to Claim ~~30~~28, wherein each vertical carrier is arranged within a respective housing and is formed as a double-T carrier ~~and arranged in the housing.~~

32. (Currently amended) The elevator according to Claim ~~3028~~, further comprising a girder provided on the upper ends of the vertical carriers for supporting the driving wheel, and a plurality of deflection rollers for the cables, wherein the girder extends between ~~the~~ at least two vertical carriers.

33. (Previously presented) The elevator according to Claim 32, further comprising a motor capable of driving the driving wheel under an intermediate connection of a driving gear for the driving wheel, wherein the motor is mounted on the girder.

34. (Currently amended) The elevator according to Claim 32, further comprising control electronics included ~~in~~ on the girder.

35. (Currently amended) The elevator according to Claim 32, wherein the vertical carriers are each ~~fixed having~~ have an end opposite the girder fixed in a shaft pit.

36. (Previously presented) The elevator according to Claim 32, wherein the vertical carriers are connected to each other by a plurality crossbars spaced from each other.

37. (Currently amended) The elevator according to Claim ~~3028~~, further comprising a connecting piece for each vertical carrier ~~that is aligned parallel to the car and that carries the guide rails on a side facing the car~~ interconnecting the first recess of the vertical carrier to the guide rail.

38. (Currently amended) The elevator according to Claim ~~3028~~, further comprising flanges, ~~at least a subshot of said flanges including a guide on the side of the vertical carrier opposite the guide rail, in order to support the counterweight in a corresponding U-shaped recess of the vertical carrier~~ a plurality of vertically extending guide surfaces fixed within the second recess configured to support the counterweight.

39. (Currently amended) The elevator according to Claim 38, wherein guide is the vertically extending guide surfaces are formed as angular profiles that are fixed opposite the flanges to at least two opposing sides of the second recess and on which guide rollers fixed to the counterweight are supported.

40. (Currently amended) The elevator according to Claim 37, wherein the each guide rail has a generally T-shaped cross section including a cross member fixed to the connection piece by a plurality of tension brackets and a roller support member connected to the cross member ~~providing the plurality of vertical surfaces of the guide rail, the that is fixed to the connecting piece of the vertical carrier by a holder profile that has a foot that runs generally parallel to the connecting piece of the vertical carrier and a connecting piece guided between the car-side rollers that points toward the car.~~

41. (Currently amended) The elevator according to Claim ~~40~~28, wherein ~~the car-side rollers are supported on a general truck~~ includes a U-profile that is connected via an angular profile to a frame of the car.

42. (Currently amended) The elevator according to Claim 41, wherein the frame is assembled from frame profiles having generally U-shaped cross sections, ~~the frame profiles extending over the height of the car and having legs pointing toward an associated vertical carrier and with one leg of the profile being connected to a first leg of the angular profile, and wherein at least a subset of the frame profiles extending over the car, the angular profile having a second leg that holds a general U-profile.~~

43. (Currently amended) The elevator according to Claim 42, further comprising a protective housing enclosing the frame profiles ~~that extends over the height of the car and which covers corresponding ones of the frame profiles of the frame, the a passage through protective housing including a passage for the first leg~~ legs of the angular profile, the passage being allocated to one of the corresponding frame profiles and passing through and a slot of one of the

~~first housings that holds the associated~~ provided on the housing of at least a subset of the vertical carriers for the leg of the angular profile, and wherein the protective housing is arranged on both sides of the car.

44. (Cancelled)

45. (Currently amended) The elevator according to Claim 44, further comprising at least two sealing lips included ~~in the first housing with the slot~~, wherein the sealing lips are aligned in a V-shape relative to each other and which contact ~~respective ones of the projections of the protective housing on both sides of the slot~~ opposing sides of the first leg of the angular profile.

46. (Currently amended) The elevator according to Claim ~~28~~43, further comprising electric cables within the housing of at least one vertical carrier ~~corresponding ones of the first housings and a trigger device for a safety catch within another one of the guide rails~~ the housing of at least one vertical carrier.

47. (Previously presented) The elevator according to Claim 46, wherein the electric cables project through the slot and the passage into the interior of the car.

48. (Previously presented) The elevator according to Claim 32, further comprising a hood that covers the driving wheel and the deflection rollers.

49. (Currently amended) The elevator according to Claim ~~30~~28, further comprising a wire cable that is fixed at a first end to the corresponding counterweight and at a second end to the car on each of the two sides of the car, the wire cable running underneath one of the vertical carriers and holding a deflection roller and a tension weight.

50. (Cancelled)

51. (Previously presented) The elevator according to Claim 28, further comprising a balcony that is disposed between an outside door of the elevator and a building, the balcony being disposed in proximity to a floor of a story of the building.

52. (Currently amended) The elevator according to Claim 51, further comprising a plurality of balconies that are connected to one another by ~~means~~ of a skeleton.

53. (Previously presented) The elevator according to Claim 52, wherein the skeleton is free-standing or is fastened to at least one of the building and the vertical carriers.

54. (Previously presented) The elevator according to Claim 51, wherein the balconies are disposed on the vertical carriers.